Introduced by Senator Morrow

February 16, 2005

An act to amend Section 11910 of the Public Utilities Code, relating to the Municipal Utility District Act.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 273, as introduced, Morrow. Public utilities: Municipal Utility District Act.

The existing Municipal Utility District Act governs the formation and governance of a municipal utility district. The act requires the publication of ordinances or summaries of ordinances following passage by the governing board of a district.

This bill would make technical nonsubstantive changes to the act's provisions governing publication of ordinances or summaries of ordinances.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- SECTION 1. Section 11910 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:
- 3 11910. (a) No ordinance shall be passed by the board within
- 4 five days of the day of its introduction or at any time other than a
- 5 regular or adjourned regular meeting. All ordinances or
- 6 summaries of ordinances shall be published after passage.
- 7 (b) The publication of ordinances or summaries of ordinances,
- 8 as required by subdivision (a), may be satisfied by either of the
- 9 following actions:

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 (1) Within 15 days after adoption of the ordinance or amendment to an ordinance, the board of directors shall publish a summary of the ordinance or amendment with the names of those directors voting for and against the ordinance or amendment and the secretary shall post in the office of the secretary of the board of directors a certified copy of the full text of the adopted ordinance or amendment along with the names of those directors voting for and against the ordinance or amendment.

(2) If the general manager determines that it is not feasible to prepare a fair and adequate summary of the adopted ordinance or amendment, and if the board of directors so orders, within 15 days after adoption of the ordinance or amendment to an ordinance, a display advertisement of at least one-quarter of a page shall be published. The advertisement shall indicate the general nature of, and provide information about, the proposed or adopted ordinance or amendment, including information sufficient to enable the public to obtain copies of the complete text of the ordinance or amendment, and the names of those directors voting for and against the ordinance or amendment.